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SUBJECT: SPROTT CONSULTATIONS
REF: AUG 17 MOUNT TO LAUDERDALE LETTER

1. J. T. SPROTT, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE, WILL BE ARRIVING TWA FLIGHT NO. 901 AT 11:10 A.M., SEPTEMBER 21. NO AIRPORT ASSISTANCE REQUESTED, BUT RESERVATIONS AT MODERATE PRICED HOTEL FOR NIGHTS OF SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22 WOULD BE APPRECIATED. SPROTT IS RETURNING FROM AF CONSULAR CONFERENCES.
2. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO OBTAIN LIMITED FIELD RESPONSE TO SELECTED PARTS OF NEW FSI B&F COURSE AND GATHER INFORMATION AND INPUT FOR NEW GSO, PERSONNEL AND SECRETARIAL TRAINING PROGRAMS, ALL TO BE LAUNCHED IN FY '79. THESE NEW COURSES, MODELED AFTER CONGEN ROSSLYN, ARE SIMULATED OFFICE OR "HANDS-ON" APPROACHES TO TRAINING. THE B&F COURSE IS UNCLASSIFIED

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SCHEDULED TO BEGIN OCTOBER 16 FOLLOWED BY GSO, PERSONNEL AND SECRETARIAL PROGRAMS LATER IN FY '79. FIELD INPUT TO COURSE DEVELOPMENT IS CRITICAL TO SUCCESS. SIMILAR INTERVIEWS AND DISCUSSIONS ARE BEING CARRIED ON AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA AND FOLLOW EARLIER ONES IN EUR AND AFRICA.

3. IN RELATION TO PARA. 2 SPROTT WOULD APPRECIATE

SCHEDULED TIME WITH: ADMIN COUNSELOR, WHATEVER TIME CAN BE SPARED AFTER ARRIVAL ON THURSDAY AND AGAIN ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON; B&F OFFICER, AT LEAST ONE HOUR TO REVIEW AND CRITIQUE SELECTED MATERIALS SPROTT BRINGING; GSO, AT LEAST ONE HOUR FOR INTERVIEW COVERING GSO WORK AT POST; PERSONNEL OFFICER, ONE-HALF HOUR TO DISCUSS TRAINING NEEDS AND MATERIALS FOR THIS FIELD; AMBASSADOR OR DCM'S SECRETARY, ABOUT 15 OR 20 MINUTES TO DISCUSS TRAINING NEEDS AND MATERIALS; AT LEAST ONE OTHER AMERICAN SECRETARY FOR HALF-HOUR ON TRAINING NEEDS AND MATERIALS.

4. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE A SHORT DISCUSSION WITH ECON COUNSELOR AND COMM ATTACHE ON COMMERCIAL FSL TRAINING WOULD BE APPRECIATED. FINALLY, THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS CONGEN CONSULAR TRAINING WITH FSO WILLIAM KINGSBURY AND WASHINGTON TRAINING WITH FSL CRISTINA BENITO WOULD PROVE VERY USEFUL TO ONGOING EVALUATION OF THESE PROGRAMS.

5. SPROTT PREPARED TO GIVE CONSULAR SECTION BRIEFING ON AF CONSULAR CONFERENCES. CHRISTOPHER

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